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Worcester, August 7.

THEIR Majesties and Their Royal Highnesses the Three eldest Princesses arrived, at Eight o'Clock on Tuesday Evening last, at the Bishop of Worcester's Palace in this City. The next Morning, the Bishop, Dean and Chapter of this Cathedral, and the Clergy of the Diocese, waited on the King, when the Bishop addressed His Majesty in their Name, who was pleased to return them a very gracious Answer, and they had the Honour to kiss His Majesty's Hand. The Corporation of Worcester were then introduced by the Earl of Oxford, when the Earl of Coventry, Recorder of Worcester, complimented the King, in their Name, in a very elegant and loyal Speech, to which His Majesty returned a gracious Answer, and the Corporation had also the Honour to kiss His Majesty's Hand. The Nobility and Gentry of the County afterwards waited on the King, and His Majesty was pleased to confer the Honour of Knighthood on Mr. Charles Withers.

Their Majesties and the Princesses then attended Divine Service at the Cathedral, where a Charity Sermon was preached by the Reverend Doctor Langford, one of the Canons of Windsor, and Chaplain in Ordinary to His Majesty, for the Support of the Widows and Children of the Three Choirs of Worcester, Gloucester and Hereford.

Commission in the West Kent Regiment of Militia, signed by the Lord Lieutenant.

Thomas Dyke, Esq; Lieutenant, to be Captain, vice Robert Salmon, Esq; Dated May 16, 1788.

Helping fors, July 12.

Hostilities having been commenced on the Frontiers of Finland between a Body of Russian Light Troops and a Detachment of the Swedes posted on the Bridge of Pomalafund, War is now looked upon as declared between the two Countries. Brigadier-General Haastehr, who commands in this Part of Finland, after leaving a sufficient Body to guard the above Bridge, and the other Passes into Swedish Finland, marched with the rest of his Troops to Nyslot, which he immediately took, and invested the Citadel.

Another Corps under the Command of Major-General Armfeldt, encamped near Elime, have penetrated into the Russian Territory, and, among other Passes, have possessed themselves of Pytis.

Two Russian Frigates, the Jaroslaw of 32, and the Hektor of 26 Guns, have been taken and carried into the Road of Sweaborg. Several Ships belonging to the Subjects of Neutral Powers, together with several Russian Merchantmen, had also been taken, and brought into this Port; but Orders were immediately given for their Release, with Liberty to pursue their Voyage to Petersburgh, and the Masters of these Ships are to be indemnified for their Loss of Time.

Helping fors, July 20.

An Engagement between the Swedish Fleet, under the Command of the Duke of Sudermania, and the Russian Fleet, commanded by Admiral Greig, took Place on the 17th Instant off Hoogland. The Action began at Five o'Clock in the Afternoon, and continued till Ten at Night; and the following Day at Noon the Swedish Fleet returned hither, bringing in a Russian Ship of 72 Guns. Another is supposed to be sunk; and the Prince Gustavus, a Swedish 64 Gun Ship, is missing.

Ostend, August 6.

His Imperial Majesty has been pleased, by a Declaration of the 26th ult. to permit the Exportation of Wheat and Rye, both by Land and Water, on Payment of a Duty of Fifty Stivers for each Last of Wheat, and Thirty Stivers and Three Farthings for each Last of Rye.

Office for Claims by African Trade, Buckingham-street, York-buildings.

July 19, 1788.

THE Commissioners appointed by Parliament, for the Purpose of enquiring into any Losses which may be sustained by any Merchants or Owners of any Ships or Vessels engaged in the African Trade, in consequence of "An Act to regulate, for a limited Time, the shipping and carrying Slaves in British Vessels from the Coast of Africa," do hereby give Notice, That they are ready to receive Applications conformably to the said Act; made before the 1st Day of September next ensuing, the Period for applying therein prescribed.

It is required, that such Applications be transmitted to the Office in Writing, and that the respective Descriptions and Places of Abode of the Persons making the same be accurately specified.